PARSON FIGHTERS.

LAND AGAINST SQUIRE-ARCHY.

Hostility to Churchism and Landlordism the Feature of the Liberal Federation Conference-Other British Notes.

[Copyrighted, 1891, by the New York Associated Press.] LONDON, December 12.—If the rural conference, which opened Thursday in London, represented with absolute fidelity the spirit of the agricultural element of Great Britain, the country would be on the eve of a social and political revolution. No assemblage of supposed representative men ever held in England has displayed such envenomed hostility to parsons and land-owners. Delegates boastsons and land-owners. Delegates boasting themselves as persistent parson-fighters and denouncing squire parson-fighters and denouncing squire tyranny were cheered to the echo and their scornful allusions to the patronizing airs of the clersy toward rural inhabitants were keenly relished. An occasional delegate feebly admitted that he had met a liberal landlord or an open-handed cleric, but the entire sympathy of the conference was reserved for the motto: "Down with the Church and the landlords." the Church and the landlords."

HODGE NOT IN THE ROUGH The speakers and the bulk of the delegates were fluent and forcible in speech, obviously not Hodge in the rough, but rather hodge trained to spout in dissenting conventicles. Mr. Schnadnorst has done nothing more clever during his career as a wire-puller than his gleaning from the mass of inchoate intelligence of rural England these men so strongly rural England these men so strongly radical and setting them up as representative voices. But it would be misleading to inter from the character of the conference that the rural poor have deserted the Church en masse or have become infused with political designs against the squirearchy. The conference, while indicating clearly and actively an existent force to be reckoned terence, while indicating clearly and actively an existent force to be reckoned with in the coming elections, owes its greatest importance to its foreshadowing the future agricultural policy. When the spirit of the delegates permeates the electoral the hereditary privileges of landlordism and churchism will vanish. GLADSTONE'S SPEECH A DISAFFOINTMENT.

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Mr. Gladstone speech pesterday was a distinct disappointment, many delegates expecting that a definite assurance in regard to the Liberal programme would be declared and would include some of their aspirations. Some men who urged the immediate application to England of the principles of tair play for rent, fixity of tenure and free sale, and others who wanted the abolition of primogeniture and a limitation of the size of estates, got only enlarged allusions to the Newcastle programme. Mr. Gladstone spoke throughout fas a leader who was sympathetic, but doomed not to lead in the struggle in which his hearers were most concerned. The Chairman's incidental reference to Mr. Gladstone's projected trip to Biarritz as "a journey to that beautiful land" was misinterpreted by the audience and brought tears to many eyes. Mr. Gladstone's own allusion to the limitation of his physical powers and his sensibility of the disadvantage in which his party was placed owing to his advanced years caused renewed emotion among his hearers. There were many cries of "No, No," "You will have a long life yet," etc. Mr. Gladstone's speech yesterday was issinct disappointment, many delegate have a long life yet," etc. MR. AND MES. GLADSTONE OFF.

Mr. Gladstone and his wife will start on their trip Tuesday morning and will reach Paris Tuesday evening. Several free-trade Teaders who have been beseeching a conference with Mr. Gladstone on the subject of international tariffs, will have an opportunity to see him although he gives no promise of a speech. His medical adviser, Sir Andrew Clarke, insists upon perfect rest, Mr. and Mrs. Gladstone proceed from Paris to Biarritz on Wedneshe Cabinet held a prolonged council yes

terday and will not meet again until the new year, when they will prepare for the opening of Parliament. Mr. Hitchie, president of the local Government Board, who is ill, was the only member absent to-day. After the council Viscount Cross, Mr. Stanhope, and Sir Michael Hicks-Beach went together to the Cariton Club, where, in the course of conversation with members, they referred to the dissolution of Parliament as probable to the dissolution of Parliament as pro-THE DURE OF CLARENCE'S MARRIAGE.

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The arrangements for the marriage of the Duke of Clarence and Avondaic were, it is understood, discussed by the Cabinet. Although the act of 1889 bars a special grant to the Duke, the Ministers hold that a dowry can be voted to the Princess Victoria Mary. The Prince of Wales will visit the Queen at Windsor on Monday to state the intentions of the Ministers. Although March 10th has been announced as the wedding-day, the Prince of Wales to-night authorized the statement that the ceremony might take place earlier—probably on February 10th—the anniversary of the Queen's marriage. The Prince of Wales will himself publicly announce the day when it has been definitely fixed. Mr. Gladstone and wife called at Marlborough House to-day to offer their congratulations on the betrothal. Mr. Gladstone merely signed his name in the visitors' book, but his wife had an interview with the Princess of Wales and conveyed his good wishes. The Queen gave a dinner at Windsor to-night to the Duke of Clarence, Princess Victoria Mary, and the whole Teek family, who will leave the eastle to-morrow.

PRETIT STORIES SPOLLED.

PRETTY STORIES SPOILED. The current stories that the betrothal is due to the Duke of Clarence's persistent love under great opposition do not agree with court reports. On the contrary, it is known that the Duke of Clarence has long been enamoured of Princess Helen, of Orleans, and that two years ago he personally declared his passion to the Conts de Paris, and received the assurance that Princess Helene reciprocated his love, and that both her father and mother approved the match. Princess Helene then went to Rome to put the question of a change of religion as an absolute necessity before the Pope, who told her that it would be impossible that such a change could obtain his remotest sympathy. The position remained unsettled until Prince George became ill, when the Queen and the Prince and Princess of Wales became alarmed over the chance of the Duke of Fife nearing the throne. Pressure was then put on the Duke of Clarence and Avondale on every side, family and Cabinet reasons being adduced against an alliance with the house of France. This pressure led to his acceptance of the Princess Victoria Mary, for whom he has shown a cousinly liking.

A DOWEN AND A HOME. The current stories that the betrothal A DOWRY AND A HOME.

The Queen has promised a dowry to the bride. Although apartments in St. James Palace are being prepared as the first home of the pair, Clarence House, now occupied by the Duke of Edinburgh, is designed as their future residence. The royal, family look forward to the permanent abode of the Duke of Edinburgh at Coburg on the death of his aged uncle.

On the occasion of the coming marriage the Queen will raise the Duke of Teck and his children to the dignity of "Royal Highnesses." They are now simply "Highnesses."

ENGLAND, FRANCE, AND NEWFOUNDLAND.

Lord Salisbury has reopened negotiations with M. Ribot, the French Foreign Minister, for a settlement of the Newfoundland fisheries dispute. It is reported that Lord Salisbury, in return for the surrender of all the French rights in Newfoundland, offers to cede to France the Hervey Islands and the Colony of Lagos. Lord Knutsford, Colonial Secretary, in receiving deputations from Liverpool and Manchester, protesting against the sacrifice of British interests in West Africa to France, intimated that the Ministers' opinions did not agree with those of the deputations. The pending negotiations explain his chilly reception of the protests.

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Mr. Gladstone's criticism of Mr. Goschen's one-pound note scheme has killed the chances of the bill in Parliament. The Conservatives have no desire that the measure be promoted.

The London Trades Council has decided to contribute toward the support of the printers' strike in Germany.

[By Anglo-American cable to the Dispatch.] fly Anglo-American cable to the Dispatch.]
GENEVA, December 12.—The Italian
steamer Calabria left here this morning
for Naples. She had proceeded but a short
distance when her boilers exploded, and
she sank in a short time. There were
thirty-three persons on board, including the
crew. Twenty-one were drowned, the
other twelve being saved by the Calabria's
boats and boats from other vessels near by.

[By Anglo-American cable to the Dispatch.]
Constantinopin, December 12.—The
Porte has suppressed the French newspaper Le Stambour for alluding in an offensive manner to the Emperor William of

Mr. Mills.
[New York World.]
It is announced that Mr. Mills is sulking and that he does not intend to take the prominent part in the proceedings of Congress for which his long service and abilities fit him.

Mills is a statesman and not a querulous boy. He has deserved well of the Democratic party, for he has been loval to it, and he has been laborions in its interests. But he has also received high honors. He has been the chairman of the first committee of the House of Representatives, and therefore the majority leader of the popular branch of Congress. Moreover, in the recent speakership contest nearly one half of the Democratic members of the House, among them some of the best-known and ablest men in the body, voted for him for the second office in power and responsibility in the country.

So long as Mr. Mills is a member of Congress the party and the country have the right to his best services, and we confidently believe that he will not disappoint his friends nor gratify his enemies. REPRESENTATIVES OF RURAL ENG-

A NEW CHARTER FOR ASHLAND.

Royal Arcanum Officers Elected-Paying Off the School-Teachers.

[Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.] (Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.)

ASHLAND, VA., December 12.—The Town
Council at its meeting this week appointed Mayor J. W. Taylor, Messrs. Clifton
Lee, John G. Tiller, and Charles Stebbins
a committee to draw up a new charter for
Ashland and have it ready to present to
the Legislature after the holidays. From
a conversation with these gentlemen I
learn they intend to ask for many privileges which will be of great benefit to the
town.

New OFFICEES.

Henry Clay Council, No. 584, Royal Arcanum, have elected as officers for the ensuing year the following: Regent, J. A. Brown: Vice-Regent, J. B. Hall: Orator, Leslie Ellis; Secretary, E. L. C. Scott; Treasurer, Louis Delarue; Chaplain, Rev. J. R. Wilkinson; Sentry, W. C. Fox; Warden, George W. Harris; Representative to the Grand Council, which meets at Norfolk, Joseph E. Cox; Alternate, George R. Nixon; Trustee for three years, W. L. Lumpkin. This order has one hundred and eight members in and near Ashland and is in a flourishing condition.

AFFAIRS OF THE SCHOOLS.

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Treasurer W. P. Shelton was here to-day paying off the school-teachers for this district. The District School Board also met and transacted considerable routine busi-

The Hanover Troop is ordered to meet at the court-house for reorganization on De-cember 21st. Efforts are being made to establish headquarters of the troop in Ash-land, and everything looks favorably to-

iand, and everything looss wards that end.

Hev. Mr. Hall has been elected by a meeting of the members of the Presbyterian church as their pastor. This reverend gentleman has been filling the pulpit here for several months, and his election was the outcome of a faithful performance of his pastoral duties.

DEATH OF MES. THOMPSON.

Mrs. Jane M. Thompson, wife of the late John L. Thompson, at one time a member of the Legislature from Haraver, died at the residence of her son-in-law, L. A. Saunders, near Ashiand, this week. Mrs. Thompson has been an invalid for a number of years. per of years.

The grip has been playing a strong hand

with many of our citizens. Professor W. A. Shepard and liev. Leonidas Rosser have both been extremely ill, but are now improving.
Captain W. A. Woolfolk, one of the old, true, and tried conductors of the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac railroad, is ill with fever at the residence of his sister, Mrs. D. B. Cox. His condition at this time is much improved, though he

is still quite a sick man.

Three deer were seen to-day within a haif mile of this place. They have been near here for several weeks, but no huntsmen has as yet succeeded in gathering

A new Catholic chapel will be erected here in the spring. Plans have been made, and if it is to be built after them the new edifice will be quite an addition to our

Macon College has elected as representa tive to the State Oratorical Society R. F Beadles, and the following officers for the public depate: President, William Ste-vens; First Vice-President, C. H. Lavin-der, Second Vice-President, R. T. Water-field; Orator, R. H. Hood, Messrs, New-bild, Sledd, Beadles, and Sebrill debaters.

A CITY OF COLLEGES AND SCHOOLS. The Offer for a Training-School-Professor

Jarnan's Coming Marriage-Other Notes. (Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch,) Bristot, Tenn., December 12.—Bristol is soon to be called the city of magnificent schools and colleges. Thurday night the bristol, Richmond, and other land compa-Eriscol, Richmond, and other land companies met and discussed the question of donating a large tract of land and several hundred dollars in money to King college of this city. When the proposition was made, however, the land companies learned that the college had already accepted a site in another part of the city, and that it would be impossible for them to accept the kind offer. The gouldenen then remembered that when the Holston Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, met here a year ago that the establishing of a training school for Emory and Henry College somewhere in East Tennesse or Southwest Virginia was talked of, and that no favorable inducements had been effected them. Knoxylile had the matter in hanf some time, ago, but that seems to have fallen through as nothing has been said of it for several months.

A LIERRAL OFFER.

So these land companies have decided to giv from ten to twenty acres of land and \$10,000 o \$12,000 in cold case to the Methodists if the are still in the notion of establishing a trainin school for Emery and Henry. The Church will beyond a doubt gladly accept such a liberal preposition as soon as it is made. If that school located in this city we will have five good colleges and as fine a system of nublic schools a can be found in the States of Tennessee or Virginia.

A NOTABLE WEDDING.

December 23d at Emory, Va., a notable wedding wilt take place. The contracting parties are Professor J. L. Jarnan, the youngest professor in this country, and Miss Mary Helen Wiley, daughter of Dr. E. E. Wiley, mancial agent of Emory and Henry Collegs. The ceremony will be performed in the chapel of the college, where for more than half a contry the venerable old divine has delivered takes and levence and sermons. Miss Wiley is a very brilliant young lady and is possessed of many virtues. Professor Jarnan is a graduate of the University of Virginia, and is one of the ablest instructors in the land.

A DESITIUE WOMAN.

Instructors in the land.

A beautiful woman about twenty years of age, with her young babe, was taken in off the etreets this afternoon in destitute circumstances. She was cared for by the city authorities. Her home is in Ficyl county, Va., and she came here hoping to get to her brother in Ohio. Bristol is the largest city she ever saw and when she boarded the train at Christiansburg she never had heard the whistle of an engline before in her life.

A HARD CASE.

AFTER THE STREET-CAR PEOPLE. A Matrimonial Event-The Leaf-Tobacco Market Active.

(Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.)
DANVILLE, VA., December 12.—The Council is after the Danville Street-Car Company. It is claimed that the company is not giving as good a service as it is pledged to give under its contract with the city, and the Street Committee Las been instructed to investigate the matter and re-port to a subsequent meeting of the Coun-

Mention was made in this correspond-Mention was made in this correspond-ence several days ago of the fact that G. M. Tucker had warranted W. P. Robinson for a sum of money for services which Tucker claimed to have rendered in se-curing endorsements for Robinson for the postmastership of Danville. The justice who heard the case reserved his decision, but afterwards decided in favor of Robin-MATRIMONIAL.

Another marriage is to take place here

Another marriage is to take place here on Tuesday next, the parties to the contract both being well-known and popular members of Danville society.

The city has been full of leaf tobacco during the week, and the streets were well lined with white-top wagons from the country. Double sales were blocked five days out of six, and everything was busy and active at the warehouses. Some of the offerings were of the nondescript order, but there was a fairly good supply of the desirable goods. Medium to good wrappers were scarce and in brisk demand. Good fillers showed up well, and though the supplies seems to be large, prices held up well. Cutters were scarce and sold well.

A little son of Mr. Whit Patteson fell through an elevator-way to-day and was painfully though not seriously hurt.

Sales of leaf tobacco this week 1,350,000 pounds.

The World's Cotton.

[By telegraph to the Dispatch.]

NEW YORK, December 12.—The total visible supply of cotton for the world is 4,297,721 bales, of which 3,996,821 bales are American, against 3,186,225 and 2,694,725 bales, respectively, last year. Receipts at all interior towns, 212,440 bales. Receipts from plantations, 325,839 bales. Crop in sight, 5,396,614 bales.

SHE WILL NOT HANG.

GOV. HOLT SAVES A CONDEMNED WOMAN FROM THE GALLOWS. Another Counterfeiter Arrested-A Republican Organ on the Stevens Case-

A Coming Democratic Marriage.

[Special telegram to the Dispatch.] RALEIGH, N. C., December 12.-Governor Holt to-day commuted to ten years' im-prisonment the death sentence of Ellen Lawrence (colored), who next Friday was to have been hanged in Gaston county for murder. No steps have been as yet taken to secure commutation for the other woman who is to be hanged there that day

for the same crime. ANOTHER IN LIMBO.

ANOTHER IN LIMBO.

Another member of the gang of counterfeiters which has so long worked this section of the State was lodged in jail here to-day, and the State and Federal officers are after more of the offenders.

News was received to-day of the business failure of E. and D. F. Caldwell at Harrill's store, Sampson county. They are general merchants, having branch stores at Blands and Sampson.

There are several Virginians in the large party which will leave here on the 30th instent for a trip to Cuba, in charge of Colonel E. G. Harrell. Nearly all of those who go are teachers.

THE STEPHENS MURDER.

The Republican paper here, the Signal, publishes to-day a very long account of what it claims to be the facts in the murder of J. W. Stephens, the Republican leader in Caswell county in 1870. It goes into minute details and, of course, tries to make perty capital out of the matter. It contends that Holden, the then Governor, was right in placing Caswell and Alamance counties under martial-law, and says Holden's mind is now a wreck. What the Signal publishes will further increase the str about the celebrated case, which str began last week, when what was alleged to be a death-bed confession of Mr. Felix Roan was published.

MARKIAGE ANNOUNCEMENT. THE STEPHENS MURDER.

MARRIAGE ANNOUNCEMENT.

MARKIAGE ANNOUNCEMENT.

Edward Chambers Smith, chairman of the Demecratic State Executive Committee, a son of the late Chief-Justice Smith, will be married on the 12th of January to Miss Annie Faison, slaughter of Colonel Paul P. Faison, of Raleigh, president of the Board of Directors of the Penitentiary. Some of the Cleveland men in the State declare that they cannot support Hill, but insist that a gross injustice will be done if Cleveland is not nominated. There is more talk about the presidential nomination than there is about that for the Governor. Indeed, many prominent men concede the nomination of Governor Holt as his own successor. The drift of things is certainly that way
Governor Holt while at Charlotte inspected the newly-organized naval reserve batallion of artillery. He is greatly pleased with the batallion and its equipment.

Pneumonia and the grip are causing many deaths in the country. In Randolph the grip is epidemic and perhaps more fatal than elsewhere. In Virginia it is observed that the convicts enjoy immunity from the grip. That is also the case in this State. The inmates of the various infrom it.

The officers of the State Alliance decline

to allow people to see the letters received from office-holders in reply to the imperti-nent inquiry as to whether the latter hold free passes on the railway. Not one of the office-holders gave the information asked for, all of them telling the secretary it was

THE MULE WAS THE THIEF.

He Was Caught in the Act-Great Abundance of Game and Fine Sport.

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[Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.]

Wellon, N. C., December 12.—A farmer in this county has been missing corn from his crib. This morning he heard a noise in the crib and went out to investigate. The crib-door was open and the farmer could hear his corn rattling. He quickly shut the door on the trief, and opening his knife called loudly for him to come out soften was no response. He opened out. There was no response. He opened the door to attack the supposed thief, but instead of a man be found one of his mules PINE BUNTING.

Game is abundant in this section. A tentieman yesterday bagged fifty birds in few hours.

A party of northern hunters arrived Game is abundant in this

A party of northern hunters arrived here yesterday, and are trying their luck in the hunting-grounds near this town. The news of Mrs. E. P. Lyons's death was a great shock to her many relatives in The cotton crop in this county has all been housed and the greater portion of it sold. The crop is nearly as short as it

was in 1883.

The congregation of the Methodist Episcopal church here turned out en masse last night and pounded their newly-arrived pastor. Rev. J. A. Green, in a manner most acceptable. There were numbers of packages of sugar, tea, coffee, flour, lard, outer, fowls, rice, soap, crackers, and other articles too numerous to mention.

MRS LASHLEY'S GREAT PERIL. Nearly Burned to Death-Her Children

Injured-Musical Entertainment, [Special telegram to the Dispatch.]

DURHAM, N. C., December 12 .- Mrs. S. M. Dungam, N. C., December 12.—Ars. S. al., ashley and three of her children were adly burned on yesterday near Stagsmile, ten miles from this place. Her dress aught fire while passing near a boiling not, and she would have been burned to leath but for the fact that she had on death but for the fact that she had on thick clothing. Her hands were terribly burned, and the children were also burned about their hands in their efforts to save their mother. It is thought that nearly all of them will recover. A very enjoyable musical entertainment was given last night by the St. Cecilia Society, which was largely attended by the lovers of music.

DIVIDEND DECLARED.

The Fidelity Bank has declared a semi-annual dividend of 5 per cent, out of the earnings of the past six months.

Mr. E. A. Heartt, the private secretary of Mr. J. S. Carr, has been in feeble health for several weeks and is now critically ill at his residence in this city.

Our citizens are much grieved to hear of the death of Rev. George R. Stuart, the able preacher of Tennessee, who has as-sisted Rev. Sam. Jones in several of his meetings in this State. He died yester-day at Bristol, Tenn., from an attack of

day at Bristol, Tenn., from an attack of typhoid-dysentery.

COMMISSIONER HILL DEAD. Large Sales of Leaf Tobacco-Pastor

Brown Generously Pounded. (Special telegram to the Dispatch.) Winston, N. C., December 12.—Caleb Hill, an esteemed citizen and commis-sioner of Stokes county, died yesterday at

the age of sixty-nine years.

The warehouses have been crowded here this week with leaf tobacco. In fact, more leaf has been sold than during any week since October the 1st. The manufacturers shipped over 150,000 pounds.

Rev. H. A. Brown, pastor of the First Baptist church here, will preach his fourteenth anniversary sermon to morrow. teenth anniversary sermon to-morrow morning as paster of the church. His con-gregation, as a token of esteem tendered him a generous pounding to-night. Forsythe Superior Court granted three petitions for divorce here to-day.

The Cherokee Indians Now Quiet. [Special telegram to the Dispatch.] (Special telegram to the Dispatch.)

ASREVILLE, N. C., December 12.—H. W.

Spray, superintendent of the Government
Indian School, in the Cherokee reservation, in this State, whose threatened removal caused such a commotion among
the Indians recently, has been assured his
position for another year, and his competitor (Jenkins) has been assigned to duty
slsewhere. alsowhere.

The Buncombe County Teachers' Association met here to-day. Nearly 190 teach-

ers were present, CAPTAIN COSTON'S CONDITION-

Coast-Recruits for the Dredgers. [Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.

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Nonrolk, Va., December 12.—Captain H. H. Coston, United States marine corps, having been condemned by anaval medical board for retirement, and his health steadily growing worse, has left with his family for Florids, where he will reside permanently. The doctors think the cannet live much longer.

The fishermen on the coast between Nag's Head and Hatteras are now taking large quantities of bluefish, and shipments pass through every day to the northern markets. The Carolina fishermen have found that it pays a good profit to send fish to the western part of North Carolina and Virgins in small quantities.

STEAMER RELEASED.

The British steamship Victory, which was libeled here, was released yesterday on giving bond for \$67,500, the appraised

value of the vessel. The Victory was in collision and sunk the Flymothian.

A considerable number of tramps and vagrants are being gobbled up by the police just now and will be turned over to the oyster-dredgers, as that class of help is said to be scarce.

There has been no change recently in the condition of Mayor Frank Morris, who is confined to his house, on Freemason street, by sickness of a serious character.

THEY WOULD RATHER WORK.

o \$500, Mr. J. F. Spencer and bride, of Lynch.

MAD-DOGS IN NELSON COUNTY. They Are Playing Havor with Cattle-

Masovic Lodge Removed.

(Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.)

Funerals at Charlottesville.

past 3 o'clock.

The funeral services of Horace B. Burn-

[Special telegram to the Dispatch.] DANVILLE, VA., December 12.—There was

an interesting trotting race at the Dan-ville track to-day between A. C. Preston, owned by C. L. Warren, and Little Dick, owned by Jim McClintick. Preston won the best two in three, the best time being

A Noble Woman Passes Away.

kind and charitable neighbor, beloved by all who knew her, her death has cast a gloom upon the entire community.

OF DISTINGUISHED LINEAGE.

A Private Who Traces Descent from

Rolfs and Pocahontas on Trial,

amestown, Va., and accordingly a commission was appointed some time ago to go to Owentoro, Ky., and take testimenty as to Nelson's antecedents. The commission has completed its labors and reports that Nelson is a direct descendant of John Rolfe and Pocahontas. One of the sisters of John Randelph was married to the great grandfather of President Harrison. Another became the wife of President Jefferson's father. A third sister married Samuel Lewis and a daughter of Samuel Lewis married Colonel Benjamin Henderson, whose granddauchter was the wife of Natthew Nelson, the grandfather of Henderson L. Nelson, who is now on trial for his life. A great deal of evidence was taken to show that some of the ancestors of the prisoner were insane, and this will be mainly relied upon by the defence. A jury was obtained late in the afternoon, after which the court adjourned until to-day.

Yesterday's Meeting of the Federal House.

(By telegraph to the Dispatch.)

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WASHINGTON, December 12—House,—The session of the House to-day was a merely formal one. The Speaker announced the appointment of the following committees:
On Accounts—Mesers. Rusk, Maryland; Cooper, Indiana; Dickerson, Kentucky! Moses, South Carolina; Serley, lowa; Pearson, Ohio; Quackenbush, New York; Griswold, Pennsylvania; Cutting, California.

nia.

On Mileage—Messrs, Castle, Minnesota; Crawford, North Carolina; Kendal, Kentucky; Caldwell, Ohio; Flick, Iowa.

An adjournment was then taken until Wednesday.

BRAZILIAN MATTERS.

Protest Against the Honors Paid Dom

Pedro-Potella Resigns. [By telegraph to the Dispatch.]

RIO JANEIRO, December 12.-A public meeting was held in this city yesterday at

CHAPTER OF ACCIDENTS.

Another Killed.

(By telegraph to the Dispatch.)

Lass, \$500,000. (By telegraph to the Dispatch.)

Funeral of Broker Backer.

stown, Va., and accordingly a commission

DUGTHEFIRSTGRAVE

DEATH IN MANCHESTER OF MR. BOWLES, AN OLD CEMETERY HAND.

Going to Find a Burglar Mr. Woods Fell and Broke His Finger-Officers White shad, now in this market, have appeared remarkably early, as the fish usually commence to come a month later than this. The best roes sell at fifty cents Elected-Personal, &c.

Mr. John Bowles, one of the oldest resi dents of Manchester, died at his residence, 525 east Eleventh street, yesterday morning at a few minutes after 5 o'clock, in the seventy-first year of his age. Mr. Bowles was born in Wiltshire county, England, and came to this country in

each.

Nearly twenty-five thousand tons of Po-cahontas coal were shipped from Lam-bert's Point this week. Yesterday there were thirty vessels, steamships, schooners, and ocean barges, at Lambert's Point to take on coal.

A WOMAN SHOT. 1839. He moved to this country about wenty-five years ago, and had lived here A colored woman named Mary Russell, living on Cumberland street, was shot in the left side with a pistol last night by William Miller (colored). The condition of the woman is critical. Miller fied immediately after the shooting and has so far exerced arrest. over since. He was confirmed in the Episcopal church in England, but never connected himself with any church after

connected himself with any church after nis arrival in America.

The deceased was for a number of years employed at Maury cemetery. He dug the grave of Mr. Andrews, who was killed by talling from the front window of the Bainbridge-Street Baptist church, and whose body was the first laid to rest in this burying-ground.

Mr. Bowles, who was familiarly known as Uncle Johnnie, was a humorous, kindhearted old gentleman, and was beloved by all who knew him. He leaves a wife and ope child. far escaped arrest.

The keel and bilge-blocks that have been in the granite dry-dock at the navy-yard for many years are being removed and new ones put down. Lacutenant Campbell and three non-commissioned officers of the United States army have opened a recruiting-station here, but find it a poor field, the enlist-

and one child.

The funeral will take place Monday. The hour has not yet been appointed. The re mains will be interred in Maury cemetery. FELL DOWN THE STEPS
Friday night Mr. W. L. Moody heard

here, but find it a poor field, the enlist-ments not averaging one a day.

On Tuesday night next Norfolk Lodge,
No. 32, L.O.O.F., will give a grand ban-quet at the Purcell House, and quite a number of the prominent members of the order in this section will participate.

The cost of lawyers' fees in the suit of the colored preachers against the Ports-mouth and Norfolk County Ferry amount to \$500. Friday night Mr. W. L. Moody heard some one endoavoring to enter his residence, on the corner of Frifeenth and Porter streets. He hurried to frighten them off, and being unaccoustomed to the winding steps in his new residence missed his footing and fell headforemost down the flight. He was rendered unconscious by the fall and had his middle finger broken and cut very badly. He also sustained several severe bruises on his left side. Dr. Lawrence Ingram and Dr. Rucker were summoned and rendered the necessary surgical attention. burg, are on a visit to the city.

The dwelling of Mr. John W. Creekmore, a farmer living near Johnstown, Norfolk county, was destroyed by fire a few days

were summoned and rendered the necessary surgical attention.

Mr. Moody had just recovered from the grip and was in a feeble condition when the accident occurred. He was confined to his home yesterday in consequence of his injuries, and no doubt it will be several days before he will recover.

(Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.)
LOVINGSTON, Va., December 12.—It is
stated that several mad-dogs are playing
have with stock in the neighborhood of
Roseland post-office, this county. Two
hoes of Mr. R. K. Anderson, of that place,
and a coit, horse, and cow of Mr. Martin
Campbell were bitten a few days ago and
showed such evident sign of hydrophobia
that their owners were obliged to shoot
them. There are several reports extant in
regard to other places being afflicted by
the animals, but none that seem to bear
the appearance of authenticity,
Mrs. J. R. Peebles and her son, Mr. Hart
well Peebles, left Lovingston a few days
ago for Chattancoga, Tenn., where they RNIGHTS OF HONOR OFFICERS.

Dale Lodge, No. 598, Knights of Honor, elected the following officers at Friday night's meeting: Fast Dictator, W. D. Anderson: Dictator, D. A. Snellings; Vicebictator, A. D. Shotwell: Assistant Dictator, A. Asher: Chaplain, Hugh L. Kidd; Treasurer, D. J. Weisiger; Reporter, S. R. Owens; Financial Reporter, W. T. Pitt; Guide, W. A. Garber; Guardian, R. A. Baugh; Sentinel, William Walsh, and w. H. Garber; Representative to Grand Lodge, which meets at Roanoke in March, W. T. Pitt; Alternate, D. J. Weisiger.

These officers will be installed on the second Friday night in January, 1892.

MANY EVIL-DOERS. ENIGHTS OF HONOR OFFICERS well Peebles, left Lovingston a few days ago for Chattanooga, Tenn., where they will spend some time.

Fleetwood Harmony Masonic Lodge, No. 92, removed from Fleetwood to Lovingston at the last meeting. They meet every Sat-urday before the full moon.

MANY EVIL-DOERS. Not before for a long time had there Not before for a long time had there been so much excitement around the Mayor's Court as was there yeasterday morning. A large number of spectators were present to hear the evidence and the decision of his Honor Mayor Attkisson in the cases which comprised the lengthy docket. The first case called was that of George Cousins (colored), charged with unlawfully beating his wife. She testified that she was afraid of her husband, and the Mayor fined him \$5 and required him to give security for \$100. George could not furnish the required bond, consequently he was permitted to enjoy the best board that the city jail can furnish for the period of sixty days. [Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.]
CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., December 12.—
The funeral services of Mrs. Thomas J.
Smith, who died yesterday, took place at
the Baptist church this afternoon at halfley, who also died vesterday morning, will take place from the Presbyterian church to-morrow at 11 o'clock. He will be burted by Widows' Sons' Lodge, No. 60, A. F. and Mr. C. H. Wingfield lies critically ill of The grip is prevalent in a mild form in the community. Judge John L. Cochran is confined to his room, as are also Messrs. James Perley, Charles Perley, Mr. Walter Fount, and others. Mr. Benjamin P. Pevton, one of our popular post-office clerks, is also sick.

days.

Emma Easley (colored) also had a kind of a claim on Georgie, and through jealousy tossed pebbles at Cousins's wife. His Honor could not see where any of the city ordinances permitted any one to be used as a target, so he compelled Ella to leave \$2 for safe keeping by the Trea-A number of ordinance violations came

up, which contributed a small sum to the treasury, none of which are of public in-

Mr. Samuel F. Gilliand, of the South Boston Fines, formerly of Manchester, is visiting in the city. Mrs. H. B. Owen, who has been quite ill at her residence, on Porter street, is im-

about 2:42.
After this race there was also a trottingrace between Boswell's horse Harry and Lumpkins's sorrel gelding O'Leary. The race was won by the Boswell horse. Dr. Paul Whitehead, the presiding elder of this district, in conversation with a Disparca man yesterday said that he had not yet made an appointment to the West-

End church.

Mr. Thomas J. Smith is sick with the grip at his home on Decatur street.

Mr. Thomas Dornin, of Lynchburg, formerly of this city, is here on a visit to PAMPLIN CITY, VA. December 12.—Mrs. W. D. Therhfor ched at her home, in this place, this morning, after a brief illness. A faithful and devoted wife and mother, a for Mrs. Mayo, who has been quite sick at her residence on Decatur street, is conva-

scing. Mr. A. T. Snellings and Judge John H. ngram are both confined to their beds Rolfe and Pocahontas on Trial.

Private Henderson L. Nelson, Battery A, First artillery, U.S. A., who shot and killed Private John Lane, of Battery I, on the ramparts at Fort Hamilton has spring, was on Thursday placed on trial for his life in the United States Court in Brooklyn. The prisoner is a young man and wore the army uniform. He is pale and thin, and it is said his defence is insanity. Nelson claimed that he could trace his ancestry back to some of those hardy men who established the first English settlement at Jamestown, Va. and accordingly a commission

P. Robertson, continues quite ill at her residence on Twelfth street.

The sewer plans, which arrived here Friday evening, are on exhibition at the City Engineer's office. Clerk H. E. DuVal issued one marriage

Clerk H. E. Duvai issued one marriage-license yesterday—an unusual thing for Saturday.

The buildings at Messrs, A. D. Shotwell & Co.'s tannery will be completed in sev-eral weeks. Mr. R. D. Walker is the coneral weeks. Mr. E. D. Walker is the con-tractor, and has a large force of hands at

tractor, and has a large force or hands at work upon the buildings.

Rev. E. A. Cole, of Richmond, will con-duct the services at the Leader Hall this afternoon under the auspices of the Rail-road Branch of the Young Men's Christian Association.

The services in the different churches to-day will be conducted by their regular reastors. A fawn belonging to the Hon. D. L.

A lawn belonging to the Hon. D. L. Toney jumped over the railing around the veranda in front of his dwelling on Hull street yesterday and broke its neck. Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Bennett, of Swans-boro', are both confined to their beds by sickness.
Miss Annie Arken, of Baltimore, who

has been in Manchester for the past seve-ral months, will return home to-morrow. Dr. Thomas P. Mathews was reported as being slightly improved last night. OFFICERS PARRY WITH FOILS.

aptain Rogers Commences His Class in Fencing at the Armory.

Captain Edgerton S. Rogers commenced as instructions in fearing at the Regi-mental Armery last night, and several of mental Armory last hight, and several the officers were taught the preliminary movements in the use of the sword.

Every branch of the service—the infantry, the cavalry, and artillery—were embraced in the class, and the instructor exbraced in the class, and the instructor ex-ercised his pupils in the most vigorous manner. It is no easy matter to handle the foils, and half an hour's practice with the steel is quite enough to thor-oughly fatigue an amateur. Before the officers finished their work they had di-vested themselves of their coats and rolled up their sleeves as if the thermome-ter registered 100.

vested themselves of their coats and rolled up their sleeves as if the thermometer registered 100.

Captain Rogers, who is as graceful and agile as a dancing master, kept an eagle eye on his scholars, and the slightest "twist of the wrist" or movement in the wrong direction was instantly detected by him and corrected. He said in the beginning that he intended to make the officers work, and last night he certainly kept his promise.

Colonel Henry C. Jones, who has been quite sick for a week or more, was at the Armory last night attending to several matters, but he is not entirely well yet.

The banquet of the Richmond Howitzer Association will take place Tuesday night at 9 o'clock at Zimmermann's parlors. The members of the organization will assemble at the Howitzers' Armory at 8 o'clock and march in a body with the battery to the banquet hall. In the afternoon the company will parade. meeting was need in this city yesterday as which strong profests were made against the imperial honors paid by France to the late ex-Emperor of Brazil on the occasion of his funeral in Paris on Thursday. Governor Potella has finally decided to accede to the request of the Government that he resemble resident as Governor of that he resign his position as Governor of the State of Rio Janeiro, and he has ac-cordingly sent in his resignation. He will be succeeded by Admiral Silveira. company will parade. THE PASTOR'S TENTH YEAR.

Dr. Landrum's Anniversary at the Second

Church-Grace-Street Services.

(By telegraph to the Dispatch.)

San Francisco, December 11.—A fire yesterday afternoon destroyed the Thomas Dye-Works, Sheerer's asphalt-works, and the lumber-yard and building occupied by the California Moter Company John O'Neill, foreman of a fire-augme, was struck; on the head by a falling cornies at the motor company's building, and it is thought his skull is fractured. Engine No. 3 collided with the dummy of a cable-car, and a fireman was thrown to the ground and killed. The loss on the dye-works is estimated At \$75,000; insurance, \$10,000. The California Motor-Company's loss is \$50,000; insurance, \$10,000. Church—Grace-Street Services.

This is the pastor's anniversary at the Second Eaptist church. Rev. Dr. Landrum, the tentb pastor of the church, enters upon the beginning of his tenth year. His term of service has exceeded in length that of any of his predecessors but one—Rev. Dr. Taylor, who was elected in 1826 and resigned in 1840. When Dr. Landrum took charge in December, 1832, the church numbered 465 members, while it now has on the roll 720; its contributions then aggregated \$8,900 per annum, while now they reach the sum of \$15,000. In many other ways prosperity has marked Dr. Landrum's labors in this community. Though invited from time to time to churches in New York, Boston, and elsewhere, Dr. Landrum remains loyal to his Richmond congregation, and has been known to say that he hopes to end his days in their service. LOUISVILLE, Kr., December 12.—The missing men supposed to be in the ruins at the candy-factory returned to their homes yesterday, and the record closed with eight loss at Rem's and four at the Boone Paper Company. The search is ended. The total loss is now places at \$300,000. New York, December 12.—The funeral of the late Abraham Backer, the commercial paper dealer who falled for \$4,000,000 last August, was held restarder, Rabbis fouthell and Silverman, of the Temple Emmanuel, officialed. The burial was in Salem Fields, Long Island. SERVICES AT THE GRACE-STREET.

This will be a high day with the Grace-Street Raptist church. Nearly all of the Bible-class rooms have been carpeted and furnished, and will be ready to re-ceive the classes this morning. The Building Committee also received yester-day a lot of extra chairs to be used in

seating the great crowds which attend the church. Dr. Hatcher will occupy his pulpit both morning and night, and the services will be of unusual interest. To-night the Doctor will preach on Belshazzar's Feast, and there will be special music by the choir and by Mr. Haddon Watkins.

Many persons resort daily to the new church to see the handsome new base-ment-room. It is indeed a thing of beauty, and excites the admiration of all who see it.

The Building Committee of this church has given very cordial permission to Mr and Mrs. A. L. Burford to put into the auditorium of the new building a memorial window in honor of their beautiful and accomplished daughter, Gay Burford, who died during the past summer. The place chosen for the memorial will be the central window on the Foushee side beneath the gallery, and the window will be of the most exquisite design and material, and will cost \$000. It will be built in Brooklyn under the supervision of Mr. J. J. Montague, of this city.

SERVICES AT LEIGH-STREET. SERVICES AT LEIGH-STREET.

Rev. L. G. Broughton, of North Carolina, will preach at Leigh-Street Baptist church at 7:30 to-night. At 3 o'clock this afternoon a special service for men only will be held, to which all men are cordially invited. The pastor, Rev. Mr. Wright, will preach.

THE TEMPERANCE CONVENTION. Prominent Speakers and 5tk Hundred Delegates-The Arrangements.

Delegates—The Arrangements.

Colonel R. L. Chevis, a distinguished lecurer from New York, will be in Richmond on the 15th and 16th in attendance upon the Temperance Convention, and will remain in Virginia until Christmas in the interest of the Independent Order of Good Tempiars. The Rev. H. M. Wharton, D. D., will be here also, and will address the convention on Wednesday night. A large number of the delegates have apprised Mr. Joseph H. Shepherd, chairman, of their intention of attending. The St. Claire Hotel has been selected as headquarters, and all the delegates will report there immediately on arrival. Every temperance organization, every Women's Christian Temperance Union, and every charch in the State is entitled to representation, and there will be, it is expected, five or six hundred delegates.

The lower floor of the Academy will be used by the delegates. The galleries will be free to the public, and everybody is cordially invited to attend this the first meeting of the kind ever held in Virginia. Some of the allest men of the day will be present and take part in the deliberations, and at might addresses will be made.

The convention will be presided over by the Hon. John E. Massey, who is now in the city, having arrived a few days beforehand in order to be on the ground in time for any emergency.

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THE COMMITTEE MEET THE COMMITTEE MEETS.

The City Central Committee had a large and well-attended meeting last night at Wilkinson's Hall. A considerable amount of business was disposed of, and all arrangements perfected for receiving and entertaining the delegates to the convention. Among those present were Joseph H. Shepherd, Julius A. Hobson, H. C. Glenn, H. M. Trimble, W. A. Slatcher, W. P. Constable, Frank R. Holland, J. L. Williams, and L. S. Wassmer. THE PROGRAMME.

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The following is the programme:
Tuesday, December 15th: 14 A. M.—Enrolment and organization. 3 P. M.—Report of Committee on Literature. Committee—J. E. Miller, R. Y. Zachary, James L. Bedley, James E. Schoolneld, and George W. Hawxhurst. 8 P. M.—The Effect of the Saloon Upon the Material Prosperity of the State. Committee—Major Jed. Hotchkiss, Captain Charles E. Vawter, and Colonel Thomas Whitehead. Wednesday, 16th: 10 A. M.—Report of Committee on Legislation—Hon. John E. Massey, Judge John L. Cochran, Major Samuel B. Woods, Hon. J. N. Stubbs, and Mr. E. M. Stratton. 8 P. M.—Missellaneous business. 8 P. M.—Report of Committee on Relations of the Church to the Cause of Temperance—Professor Ormond Stone, Rev. H. B. Lee, Professor W. W. Smith, Rev. Jabez Hall, D. D., Right Rev. A. Van de Vyver, Rev. J. Felix, D. D., Mrs. W. H. Pleasants. Speech by Rev. H. M. Wharton, of Baltimore.

THE RAVAGING OF FIRE.

Flames Break Out in a Residence and Do Considerable Damage. Flames broke out last evening in one

Flames croke out last evening in our third-story rooms of the residence of Mr. P. P. Ryan, No. 701 east Clay street, and before the apparatus could reach the scene the flames had gained great head-

way. The alarm was sounded at two minutes The alarm was sounded at two minutes after 6 o'clock from Box 3, located at the Second police station, and Steamers Nos. 3, 4, and 5 and Truck No. 1 responded promptly. The fire originated in one of the rear rooms of the third floor, which was occupied by two girls, but the immediate cause has not been ascertained. There was no fire in any of the rooms of the top story, nor was there any oil-can or other receptacle by which an explosion could have occurred. THE NEXT HOUSE CATCHES.

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The flames soon penetrated the roof of this house and extended to that of the one adjoining it, owned by Miss Anna A. Captains and occupied by the family of her brother, Mr. John H. Captaine.

The casualty attracted a throng of people to the streets, and the multitude monopolized every foot of ground from Leigh to Marshall and from Sixth to Eighth streets. The flames confined themselves

streets. The flames confined themselves almost entirely to the top floor of the first-named building and to the roof of the louise occupied by Mr. Captaine.

ALL THEIR CLOTHES BURNED. The furniture of Mr. Ryan was greatly damaged—all the wearing appared being destroyed except that which was worn by the family at the time, and a handsome piano was flooded with water. All the jewelry of the family, including a number of diamonds, was in a trunk which was almost entirely consumed. It was nearly 8 o'clock when the apparatus returned to the appria, houses. the engine-houses.

LOSS AND INSURANCE. The damage to the house of Mr. Ryan is thought by him to be fully \$1,000, while he places his loss on furniture at over \$1,000. On the building he had \$1,000 is surance in the Georgia Home Insurance Company, and he also holds a policy for \$500 with that organization on the furniture. The house of Miss Captaine is thought

to be injured about \$300 by fire and water, while Mr. Captaine's furniture is consider-ably damaged. This dwelling is insured through the Virginia Fire and Marine Insurance Company, but the furniture was not covered by a policy at all. Stole Mr. Ladd's Fowls

The hen-roost of Mr. John B. Ladd, who resides at Spring Hill, Henrico county, was robbed of thirty fowls Friday night, All of the chickens stolen were brown Leghorns.



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RECIPROCITY WITH GERMANY, Terms of the Arrangement Recently Made, as Officially Stated.

[By telegraph to the Dispatch. Washington, December 12.—Official correspondence has been made public setting forth the density of the reciprocity arrangement entered into between the United States and Germany wherein the sugar of the later secure continued true admission into the United States and such a American products named in an accompanying acticular obtained mission into Germany at the extedule obtain admission into Germany at vatical agreed upon. This table shows a reduction the German tariff duties on wheat of 30 percent; rep, 30 per cent; cata 37% per cent, corn, 20 per cent; butter, 15 per cent; satical and pickind pork and beef, 15 per cent; wheat flour and corn meal, 30 per cent.

The arrangement was submitted to the German Reichstag on the 7th instant, and if approved by that body will go into effect Fobruary ist next.

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